

REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 10-18, 20 and 23-27 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 8, 16-18, and 20 are amended for clarity. No new matter is added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims at least in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1, 6-8, 14-18, 20 and 23-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,289,685 (Wolff) in view of Turlington, *Sams Teach Yourself Netscape Communicator 4.5 in 24 Hours*. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Wolff and Turlington, either alone or in combination, fail to disclose or to have rendered obvious the second print controller which controls the printing unit to automatically print an image data having a fill-in area corresponding to the input field when the determination unit determined that the web page includes the input field, as recited in claims 1, 8, 16, 17, 18 and 20, for at least the following two reasons.

First, Wolff fails to disclose the above feature. Wolff discloses that the tXt machine has a Web server that allows the form to be filled out electronically through a Web browser (paragraph 10, lines 30-32). Wolff also discloses that this could allow partial filling out electronically before printing; and that after partially filling out a form electrically, the form can be printed and completed on paper (paragraph 10, lines 32-35). In addition, Wolff discloses that the form can be filled out entirely in the Web browser and submitted electronically (paragraph 10, lines 32-35). Thus, Wolff discloses printing the form after at least partially filling out the form using the Web browser, but fails to disclose automatically printing the form. In addition, as Wolff discloses printing the form after partially or completely filling out the form, Wolff also fails to disclose the concept of automatically printing the form. Further, as the Office Action admits (Office Action on page 4), Wolff even

fails to disclose the claimed determination unit that determines whether the accessed web page includes an input field. Thus, Wolff fails to disclose the above feature.

Second, Burlington fails to make up for the deficiency of Wolff. Burlington discloses interacting with the Web. Burlington discloses types of forms and using forms such as text boxes, check boxes, search forms, feedback forms and registration forms (pages 72-73). Burlington also discloses submitting the forms to the web server by clicking the submit bottom and submitting securely (pages 74-77). Thus, Burlington discloses how to use the forms and submit the forms to the web page. However, Burlington fails to disclose automatically printing an image data having a fill-in area corresponding to the input field when it is determined that the web page includes the input field. In fact, the word "printing" does not appear in the disclosure of Burlington. Thus, Burlington fails to disclose the above feature.

Accordingly, Wolff and Burlington, either alone or in combination, fail to disclose or to have rendered obvious the second print controller which controls the printing unit to automatically print an image data having a fill-in area corresponding to the input field when the determination unit determined that the web page includes the input field, as recited in claims 1, 8, 16, 17, 18 and 20.

Thus, claims 1, 8, 16, 17, 18 and 20 are patentable over Wolff and Burlington. Further, claims 6, 7, 14, 15 and 23-27 are patentable for at least the same reasons, as well as for the additional features they recite. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

Claims 2-5 and 10-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(b) as being unpatentable over Wolff in view of Burlington and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0093378 (Silverbrook). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

This rejection is premised upon the presumption that the combination of Wolff and Burlington discloses, teaches or suggests the above features of claims 1 and 8. As discussed above, Wolff and Burlington fail to disclose, teach or suggest at least these features. Further, Silverbrook fails to make up for the deficiency of Wolff and Burlington. Thus, the rejection is improper. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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